

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 BELGRA 01344 250753Z

11

ACTION EUR-25

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SAJ-01 NIC-01 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-07

H-03 INR-10 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-07 PA-04 RSC-01 PRS-01

SPC-03 SS-20 USIA-15 DRC-01 /103 W

----- 076040

R 250706Z MAR 74

FM AMEMBASSY BELGRADE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8814

INFO AMCONSUL ZAGREB

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE BELGRADE 1344

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINT YO

SUBJECT: GLIGOROV TO BE ASSEMBLY PRESIDENT; OTHER
POSITIONS BEING FILLED OR CONTENTED

REF: A. ZAGREB 201; B. BELGRADE 1301

1. LCY EXECUTIVE BUREAU MEMBER KIRO GLIGOROV HAS BEEN
NOMINATED PRESIDENT OF NEW FEDERAL ASSEMBLY BY SAWPY
NOMINATING COMMITTEE. "FULL UNANIMITY" ALSO REACHED ON
CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT OF SAWPY, SUBNOR, CTUY, AND
YOUTH FEDERATION, BUT NEITHER ANNOUNCEMENT IN MARCH 22
BORBA, NOR TELEVISION NEWS PROVIDED NAMES OF OTHER
CANDIDATES.

2. BORBA ALSO CRYPTICALLY REPORTED THAT PRIME MINISTER
BIJEDIC MET MACEDONIAN PARTY PRESIDENT CEMERSKI, ASSEMBLY
PRESIDENT MINCEV, EXECUTIVE COUNCIL PRESIDENT BOGOEV AND
PARTY SECRETARY DENKOV MARCH 21 TO DISCUSS "CURRENT
PROBLEMS IN THE SPHERE OF INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL POLICY
(OR, POLITICS)".

3. PRESS ALSO REPORTED THAT TITO RECEIVED MONTENEGRIN
PARTY PRESIDENT DJURANOVIC ON SMAE DAY BUT GAVE NO REASON
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 BELGRA 01344 250753Z

FOR CALL.

4. SLOVENIAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE RECENTLY APPROVED RE-ELECTION OF FRANC POPIT AND FRANC SETINC TO TWO TOP SLOVENIAN PARTY POSITIONS, PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY OF NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF CC, RESPECTIVELY. AS LCS PRESIDENT, POPIT WILL OCCUPY ONE OF EX-OFFICIO SEATS ON SLOVENIA'S NEW PRESIDENCY (REF A).

5. COMMENT: WITH NAMING OF GLIGOROV TO ASSEMBLY PRESIDENCY, BIJEDIC VISIT TAKES ON AURA OF MEDIATION OF A MACEDONIAN SQUABBLE (REF B) OVER DISTRIBUTION OF REMAINING POLITICAL SPOILS (ALL PARTY JOBS) AMONG UNREWARDED LEADERS (ALTHOUGH HE WOULD SEEM A STRANGE MEDIATOR FOR PARTY AFFAIRS). DJURANOVIC CALL ON TITO CAME ONLY ONE DAY AFTER SESSION OF MONTENEGRIN CC IN WHICH, TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, FIRST MENTION MADE OF "SUPPRESSION OF ETATISM AND BUREAUCRATISM". MONTENEGRIN PARTY HAS HERETOFORE ESCAPED SHAKE-UPS IN OTHER REPUBLICS, AND SHOWN NO OUTWARD SIGNS OF DISCORD WITHIN RANKS. THEREFORE, IT SHOULD LOGICALLY HAVE LITTLE DIFFICULTY SELECTING CANDIDATES FOR TOP FEDERAL AND REPUBLICAN OFFICES; BUT IT IS NOW IN RACE WITH BOSNIA AND HERCEGOVINA FOR LAST PLACE IN RELEASING NOMINATIONS.

6. BOSNIA AND HERCEGOVINA'S DELAY, PARTICULARLY IN FILLING ITS SEAT ON STATE PRESIDENCY, PROBABLY RELATED TO IMPOSSIBILITY OF DIVIDING ONE POSITION EQUALLY AMONG THREE COMPETING NATIONALITIES IN REPUBLIC (SERBS, CROATS AND MOSLEMS). ALTHOUGH CHOICE OF BIJEDIC, A BOSNIAN MOSLEM, RESOLVED FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S DILEMMA OF CHOOSING SERB, CROAT OR SLOVENIAN FOR PREMIERSHIP (OUR YUGOSLAV CONTACTS SAY THAT IT IS CONVENTIONAL WISDOM THAT THERE ARE TOO MANY SLOVENIANS IN LEADERSHIPS OF STATE AND PARTY), IT ONLY HEIGHTENED B&H'S PROBLEM IN SELECTING REP ON PRESIDENCY, SINCE NOW JOB WOULD LOGICALLY HAVE TO FALL TO SERB OR CROAT, WHERE ETHNIC JEALOUSY BITTEREST.

7. TITO IS CAPABLE OF MEDIATING MONTENEGRIN RIVALRIES AND HIS EMISSARY BIJEDIC CAN DELIVER OLD MAN'S BLESSING ON SOLUTION TO MACEDONIAN DIFFERENCES. THIS POINTS UP FACT THAT AS LONG AS TITO IS AROUND HE WILL BE ULTIMATE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 03 BELGRA 01344 250753Z

APPEAL AND AUTHORITY IN SUCH MATTERS, AND HIS DECISIONS WILL BE OBEYED EVEN WHEN NOT LIKED...
TOON

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: PROVINCIAL ELECTIONS, ELECTION CANDIDATES, PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURES, POLITICAL PARTIES
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 25 MAR 1974
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: morefirh
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1974BELGRA01344
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D740063-0436
From: BELGRADE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1974/newtext/t19740319/aaaaargc.tel
Line Count: 110
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: A. ZAGREB 201; B. BELGRADE 1301
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: morefirh
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 08 JUL 2002
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <08 JUL 2002 by kelleyw0>; APPROVED <29 JUL 2002 by morefirh>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: GLIGOROV TO BE ASSEMBLY PRESIDENT; OTHER POSITIONS BEING FILLED OR CONTENTED
TAGS: PINT, YO
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005